

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, first paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

~~The~~ This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial (→) No. 09/866,101 entitled “Method and System for Collaborative Ontology Modeling” filed on (→) May 25, 2001.

Please replace the paragraph at page 47, second paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

In order to create a collection the following steps are preferably taken.

- A structure file, such as an XML file, stores a definition of the collection: a name of a relation and an instance for each class in the domain except one. The collection is defined to include instances that can fit in that missing class and satisfy the relation.
- A standard graphical element for displaying sets of things such as a window is instantiated from a standard library, such as a Windows or Java Swing GUI library.
- The caption for the collection is derived in English from the formal definition; e.g., “All People who work in finance”. Here People is the name of the second class which is in the domain of the relation WorksIn. The separate words “works in” preferably come from a description field in a document declaring the relation. Finance is the caption of this instance of departments. Preferably this definition is displayed prominently to emphasize that the collection is not a file system folder.
- The web is searched for relation instance documents for the relation, and these are further searched for tuples where the ~~second~~ first element is the instance finance. For each such instance an icon is created using the above mentioned technique, and inserted within the collection using standard library calls to add an icon to a window.
- The content of the collection is preferably refreshed periodically or upon demand as desired.